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SUBJECT: RECONCILIATION OF FIGURES FOR EMIGRATION TO  
ISRAEL

REF: A. BUCHAREST 3007; B. TEL AVIV 4256

1. APPRECIATE YOUR COMPREHENSIVE AND VERY HELPFUL 3007. WE  
REMAIN CONFUSED, HOWEVER, BY CONFLICTING FIGURES WE HAVE  
RECEIVED FROM APPARENTLY AUTHORITATIVE SOURCES ON ACTUAL  
DEPARTURES FOR ISRAEL, ESPECIALLY FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE.  
SINCE THESE ACTUAL DEPARTURES WILL BE MOST CLOSELY SCRUTINIZED  
BY CONGRESS, WE WISH TO RECONCILE THESE FIGURES TO THE DEGREE  
POSSIBLE.

2. YOUR ASSESSMENT (REF A) RECORDS INFORMATION OBTAINED  
JULY 3 FROM ISRAELI AMBASSADOR COHEN THAT FROM JAN 1 -  
JUNE 30, 1975, TOTAL DEPARTURES FOR ISRAEL WERE 505, WITH  
303 TAKING PLACE IN JUNE, MOST IN LAST HALF OF THE MONTH.  
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3. REF B, HOWEVER, REPORTS ALLON TELLING AMBASSADOR TOON ON JULY 3 THAT 199 JEWS HAD IMMIGRATED INTO ISRAEL IN JUNE.

4. TO COMPOUND CONFUSION, AMBASSADOR BOGDAN GAVE ARMITAGE SAME DAY FOLLOWING FIGURES ON JEWISH EMIGRATION TO ISRAEL: FROM JAN 1 THROUGH JUNE 30, 1975, 2,020 DEPARTURES APPROVED; OF THESE 616 HAD LEFT ROMANIA, OF WHOM 237 LEFT IN JUNE.

5. BOGDAN ALSO PROVIDED FOLLOWING: SINCE 1970, 21,269 APPLICATIONS FOR DEPARTURE TO ISRAEL RECEIVED; 20,954 APPROVED; 18,322 ACTUAL DEPARTURES. (BOGDAN ADDED THAT IN FIRST SIX MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, 954 DEPARTURES FOR US HAVE BEEN APPROVED.)

6. WE CONSIDER IT OF KEY IMPORTANCE TO ATTEMPT TO RECONCILE THESE DISPARATE FIGURES BEFORE HARTMAN'S JULY 8 TESTIMONY BEFORE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE. KISSINGER

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